

November 17, 2021

To the Co-Chairs and Commissioners of the Los Angeles County Citizens Redistricting Commission 2021:

This is to comment on the draft maps proposed for the Special Meeting and Public Hearing #2 on November 17, 2021.

I support Option F because it keeps long-standing communities of interest together. As a resident of Artesia for over 30 years and as a former councilman and Mayor of the City of Artesia from 2007-2018, Option F minimizes district boundary changes and provides maximum equity across the districts. In our Southeast portion of Los Angeles County, we have worked diligently to be represented well on the Board of Supervisors and to make our collective voices heard. Of all the four maps being considered, Option F ensures that cities maintain their relationships with their Supervisor while also ensuring a more diverse set of voices choosing our local leaders.

Option F ensures a strong latino voting base of two like-minded and compact districts and that the Latino communities of interest in both districts remain intact; allows for an African American influencer seat in South Los Angeles; and retains coastal and mountain communities of interest.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Victor Manalo', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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